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Mr. William Hamilton
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Dear Bill:

This letter confirms our telephone call of 1 August in which we asked about the review status of pages 61-69 TAT in the galley of Foreign Relations of the United States (FRUS), Volume XIV, 1952-54, China and Japan. The reference is to Special Estimate SE-29, published 18 June 1952, and originally classified TOP SECRET. In our review of the FRUS volume, we raised no objection to declassification of this special estimate, but in January 1981, under systematic review, we only downgraded it to CONFIDENTIAL.

We have now reconsidered our actions in this matter and have determined that SE-29 should not be released but must be held at CONFIDENTIAL under Section 1.3(a)4 and 5. We understand that review of this FRUS volume has not been completed, it is still being considered by the NSC, and we request that you delete SE-29 on pages 61-69 TAT in the FRUS. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

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